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## Muslim League refutes Khomeini's statement

RIYADH, July 16 (SPA) — Iranian leader Ayatollah Khomeini has been strongly denounced by the World Muslim League for saying that the Mahdi, or messiah, will appear and accomplish what the Prophets failed to achieve.

The Muslim League made its statement Wednesday after studying an article in the June 30 issue of the Kuwaiti daily *Al Ray al Am* which ran under the headline: "Khomeini says the expected Mahdi will appear and accomplish what the Prophets had failed to do."

Khomeini is reported to have said, "All Prophets came to lay the foundation of justice in the world, but they failed. Even Muhammad, the last of the Prophets, who came to reform mankind and implement justice, did not succeed during his lifetime. The man who will succeed in this and lay the foundation of justice in the whole world and rectify deviation is the expected Imam Mahdi." The remarks were part of a speech made by Khomeini over Radio Tehran on June 28.

The World Muslim League responded to Khomeini's address as follows: "Since the

statement, which is attributed to Khomeini, is in clear flagrant violation of the Islamic faith and the principles of our religion, the World Muslim League strongly denounces the statements for its open contradiction of Islam, the injunctions of the Holy Quran, the traditions of the Prophet, and the unanimous opinion of Muslim scholars.

"Furthermore, Tehran has not issued any denial of these statements even though they contradict the teachings of the holy Quran and the Prophetic Traditions.

"These statements further negate the unanimous belief of the Islamic nation that the Prophet Muhammad, peace be upon him, is the last of the Prophets and God's Messenger, and is the greatest reformer of all mankind. He was sent with the most perfect of God's messages, as God has said: "Today, I have completed for you your religion, and I have made complete my blessings on you and approved Islam as your religion (NLP)."

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The autonomy talks, aimed at setting up self-rule for 1.2 million Palestinians of the West Bank and Gaza, were only one of the subjects touched upon by Sadat in his interview, which also dealt with topics like disputes over the Nile waters and Soviet involvement in the Persian Gulf.

Sadat was quoted by *Readers Digest* as saying an agreement on autonomy could be reached if Israel would change its position. Begin noted that "an agreement could be reached within days, even hours, if Sadat would stand by the Camp David accords." He said Egyptian positions on Jerusalem, on the nature of autonomy, and on Israeli security all run counter to the accords, which outline the framework for the autonomy negotiations.

Begin charged that Sadat was trying to "drive a wedge between the Israeli people and their duly elected government."

### Gold rises to \$625

LONDON, July 16 (AFP) — Gold rallied to \$625 an ounce here Wednesday after dipping to \$604 at one point. Tuesday night's close was \$620.50.

Before recovering, the metal plunged \$65 since trading began on Monday, due to the possibility of the U.S. authorities resuming bullion sales.

Meanwhile, U.S. dollar was mixed, but showing a firm trend on European money markets Wednesday. Currency dealers said that trading was slow. "There's hardly any market — everyone's waiting for a change in the weather," one Amsterdam dealer commented with a smile.

But gold trading was busy, with London dealers quoting \$619 to \$622 a troy ounce, and Zurich dealers \$616 to \$620. The regular morning meeting of top London dealers later "fixed" the morning price at \$624.50 an ounce. Those figures were little changed from Tuesday's closing figure in London, and the \$618.50 close in Zurich. However, they were sharply down from levels of the last two weeks, which saw a July 3 high of \$684.50 in London.

Gold has been falling since February, when it hit nearly \$718 an ounce on Feb. 6.

## Phalangists to establish legislative assembly

BEIRUT, July 16 (R) — Lebanon's Phalangist party Wednesday announced plans for the creation of a legislative assembly and the setting up of a new administrative structure for much of the country's Christian sectors.

The plans, published in the party's *Al-Aman* newspaper Wednesday, were a fresh indication that the Christian zones were taking on the trappings of self-government. The Phalangist party militia last week seized almost total control of these sectors in a well planned military strike that crippled the rival militia of the right-wing National Liberal Party (NLP).

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## Aden soothes Arab worries on Soviet ties

KUWAIT, July 16 (R) — South Yemen Foreign Minister Salem Saleh Muhammad was quoted here Wednesday as saying that his country's ties with the Soviet Union should not worry the countries of the Arabian Peninsula.

The region's pro-western, conservative rulers had reacted adversely when South Yemen signed a friendship treaty with Moscow last November.

But Salem, in an apparent attempt to allay Arab fears, told the Kuwaiti newspaper *Al-Siyassa* that the pact was the product of the existing level of bilateral relations between Aden and Moscow.

"It should not affect a third party nor should it cause anyone any concern," he added in the newspaper interview.

He said his country desired bilateral relations with the states in the region based on equality, mutual respect for national sovereignty and non-interference in each other's internal affairs.

Salem spent a day in Kuwait this week after visiting Qatar and Bahrain to prepare for the forthcoming tour of the two Gulf states by South Yemen's President Ali Nasser Muhammad.

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MAIMED MAYOR: Nablus Mayor Bassam Shaka who lost both legs in a car bombing June 2, wipes his face after ordeal of passing through delirious Palestinian crowds on his arrival Saturday for his first day back at his desk in occupied Nablus. Palestinians have accused Jewish extremists for the assassination attempt against the life of the Palestinian nationalist.

## U.S. studies unreconciled over N blast

By Bob Lebling  
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, July 16 — Two U.S. government studies of the mysterious flash detected off the South African coast by an American satellite last autumn have reached opposite conclusions about whether the flash was a nuclear explosion.

In a report released Tuesday, a panel of scientists appointed by the White House concluded there was no atomic blast. Instead, the report says, a tiny meteor probably struck the Vela Intelligence Satellite and caused it to register a burst of light.

But the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) — the military counterpart to the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) — has reportedly completed a study that concludes the satellite did detect a covert nuclear test off the South African coast.

The DIA report, which has not been made public, says the blast was relatively small — between one and three kilotons — according to sources.

Last autumn *Arab News* — *Asharq Al-Awsat* reported that the flash detected by the satellite was a low-yield explosion of a tactical, or battlefield, nuclear weapon conducted by Israel with the help of the South African government. The DIA report does not draw any conclusions as to which country may have conducted the covert atomic test.

The White House panel of scientific experts was reported to have unanimously ruled out the possibility of a nuclear explosion, because there was no seismic or acoustic evidence to confirm that a test had indeed taken place.

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## Expelling Israel from U.N. likely

UNITED NATIONS, July 16 (Agencies)

— An Arab League spokesman said the Arab countries might call for Israel's expulsion from the U.N. General Assembly if Israel flouted a resolution the assembly is expected to pass soon demanding that it give up all occupied Arab territories and make room for a Palestinian state.

"That's one of the options," said Clovis Maksoud, the league's U.N. observer, when asked Tuesday night whether expulsion was a weapon the Arabs might use to press Israel to comply with the proposal resolution. Maksoud stated the Arab position at a news conference here a week before the start of an emergency session of the assembly on Palestine called by the U.N. Palestinian Rights Committee.

A large Third World and Communist majority had voted to expel South Africa from the assembly for its racial and colonial policies. The opposition is the Arabs could get a similar majority to expel Israel for its occupation policies.

Maksoud said a large number of foreign ministers and Arab League Secretary-General Chedli Klibi, "will be participating personally in this very important landmark session." Maksoud said he expected the resolution would be before the assembly when the session began next Tuesday.

A meeting of foreign ministers of non-aligned states is expected to be held shortly before the session begins. Maksoud said proposals for an assembly resolution were already being canvassed, including a call for the establishment by Secretary-General Waldheim of a U.N. "force, mechanism or

## OIC chief briefs Giscard

PARIS, July 16 (Agencies) — The Secretary General of the Organization of Islamic Conference Habib Chatti has briefed French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing on last week's Islamic foreign ministers' conference. The Jerusalem situation and Afghanistan.

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## Sarkis accepts Hoss' resignation

BEIRUT, July 16 (R) — Lebanese President Elias Sarkis accepted the resignation of the government of Prime Minister Salim Hoss Wednesday. Minister of Justice and Information Youssef Jubran announced the

decision after a cabinet meeting.

Dr. Hoss had tendered his government's resignation on June 7 but President Sarkis deferred a decision on it at the time.



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## Rehab center contract awarded

RIYADH, July 16 (SPA) — The Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs has awarded a SR18,682,298 contract to a Saudi contracting firm for the construction of the building that will house a new physiotherapy center in Dammam.

The contract was signed Tuesday by Prince Fahd ibn Sultan ibn Abdul Aziz, the deputy minister of labor and social affairs for social welfare.

The center, which will be ready within 18 months, will treat and train handicapped or maimed persons to perform certain skills and light industries.

In the meantime, the social welfare department of the ministry is preparing a study along with the design and plans of a building for a new social care center in Dammam and tender documents will be issued

within a few months.

The ministry already set up buildings totaling SR43.5 million for a center in Dammam and Hasa to provide social supervision and guidance as well as girls education.

Another Saudi contracting firm also won a SR31.9 million Tuesday from Tarut municipality to asphalt and illuminate all the cities of Tarut island. It was reported from Al-Qatif.

Tarut Mayor Mubarak Al-Musallat said the project, to be carried out within one year, also covers Darea, Sanabas, Al-Rubayeyya, Al-Zoor and the main street of Tarut island. It also calls for the lighting of Al-Dakhil Al-Mahdood (limited income) area.

The mayor said that a SR4 million project for the temporary surfacing of Tarut/Darea road and Tarut/Sanabas road is also planned.

Meanwhile in Dammam, the Eastern Pro-

vince Environmental Health Commission considered Tuesday evening a number of projects regarding the improvement of environmental health in various Eastern Province cities and villages. The meeting was presided over by Abdul Rahman Al-Sayf, the head of municipal and rural affairs and acting chairman of the commission.

### BRIEFS

DAMMAM, July 16 (SPA) — The main labor office here issued 29,000 work permits during the last three months for companies hiring expatriate workers. There are 14 branch offices in the Eastern Region, which have made the work a lot easier, according to Abdul Rahman Al-Hajjaj, director of the main office.

HASNA, July 16 — Director of Education Ibrahim Al-Hussaini granted SR25,000 to each of ten teachers who have served for 25 years in appreciating their valuable services to education in the area. They were the pioneers of education, he said.

RIYADH, July 16 (SPA) — Prince Salman, governor of Riyadh, who is also chairman of the supreme committee for receiving donations for the Afghan fighters received a sum of SR3,500,000. The committee has already received over SR80 million to the fighters earlier this year.

MECCA, July 16 (SPA) — Prince Salman, governor of Mecca, who is also chairman of the Islamic Charitable Society will lay the foundation stone of the first of three hospitals Thursday to be built by it for the poor and needy patients. The other two will be built in Medina and Riyadh. A Korean firm was awarded a SR600 million for the three hospitals. Prince Salman will lay the foundation stones of the other two next week.

JEDDAH, July 16 — Two Indian Hindus converted to Islam before the Chief Justice of the city, Sheikh Abdul Aziz Al Issa. The two men, Rajpal Singh and Sha. Nughan, changed their names to Abdul Rahman and Abdul Rashid respectively. Sheikh Issa takes personal interest in these matters and encourages those who wish to convert to Islam by receiving them and talking to them in person.

BURAYDA, July 16 — The Jazan region will have several large and medium hospitals during the current five-year development plan according to Health Minister Dr. Hussein Al-Jazairi. In a letter to Governor Prince Abdul Ilah he said Burayda general hospital will have 500 beds. Building will start this year, he said.

JEDDAH, July 16 (SPA) — Jeddah police banned the washing of cars in streets and public places.

A statement issued Tuesday evening by Jeddah police said that anyone caught washing his car or sending someone to wash it in such places will face penalties for the damage this might cause to the roads and the inconvenience to passers-by.

HASNA, July 16 (SPA) — Hama Governor Prince Muhammed ibn Fahd ibn Jilwi opened the Islamic book and cassette exhibition organized by the summer center of Hama Scientific Institute, Monday. The exhibition comprises more than 30,000 books and 5,000 cassettes of various sciences, art and knowledge.

DAWYAH, July 16 (SPA) — The Saudi Arabian Fertilizer Company's (SAFCO) production set a new record of 145,084 metric tons of fertilizers during the last six months, it was reported Tuesday. Said Al-Khayat, SAFCO administration director, said that this period is one of the most successful times in the company's history in production, efficiency of operation and the annual maintenance course. SAFCO began its commercial production in 1971.



(SPA photo)

MEETING: Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal received the Commissioner of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for the Palestinian refugees, Adolfo Roderick, who was visiting the country.

## Pact approves teachers boost for N. Yemen

SANA, July 16 (SPA) — An agreement was reached between the Kingdom and North Yemen to increase the expatriate teachers working in Yemen at the Kingdom expense.

The number will rise by 200 male and female teachers to come to 1,520, it was reported Wednesday.

The North Yemeni Minister of Education Muhammad Al-Khadem Al-Wajid, who returned here from a visit to Saudi Arabia said that it has been agreed upon that the Kingdom grant 210 scholarships to Yemeni students in various scientific fields. The students may study in Saudi Arabian universities or in other countries.

He added that the talks proceeded in a fraternal atmosphere and aimed at improving the education standard.

### 2,500-line exchange installed

## Sakaka expansion initiated

JEDDAH, July 16 (Special) — Following Saudi Telephone's business plan, the northern regions of the Kingdom are receiving rapidly a telecommunications infrastructure, a Saudi Telephone report said Wednesday.

The city of Sakaka, in Saudi Telephone's Sakaka district, had a major expansion of its facilities on July 2. A new 2,500-line permanent exchange was put in service, increasing Sakaka's 785 subscribers with 1,700 new customers. Sakaka's 72 outgoing trunks are connected through Tabuk. The expansion, which will greatly benefit the people of the northern districts, took place under the leadership of Sakaka district manager Ayed Al Marwani. All Sakaka phone numbers have the 624 prefix, followed by four digits, and the long distance code for Sakaka is 04.

A similar cutover is planned in the near future for the town of Qurayyat, which is situated

### saudi comment

By Nasser Al-Qar'a

**Al Riyadh**  
A number of companies and establishments have contributed to the Ramadan Competition Prizes now being displayed on television. Their contributions do not seem to be as big as their name. What they have given amounts to nothing if you take into consideration the services they ought to render to the citizens.

In a country like Saudi Arabia, which has given them countless opportunities and bases for successful work, their contribution of a specific amount in the form of competition prizes has some other motive. The purpose behind such contributions is none but self-propaganda. These companies have contributed on this occasion, but most of the year they hardly do anything that could be called a charitable work.

I know a case about the owner of a big establishment. He gave a handsome donation for a charitable project, only to obtain the title of an "ideal" establishment at a time when its activities and the condition of its personnel did not enjoy any desirable social standard. What he did was, in fact, nothing but sham and hypocrisy.

We would hate to see our deeds dressed up in the garb of hypocrisy; we would love to see them established on correct and sound bases. Our deeds ought not to be from any personal motive, there should be no element of propaganda of self-interest.

The television must know that these people have not advanced the prizes out of their love for a charitable work, but were motivated by self-aggrandizement. Such kind of people ought to understand that the Islamic law enjoins upon them to help the needy and the poor.

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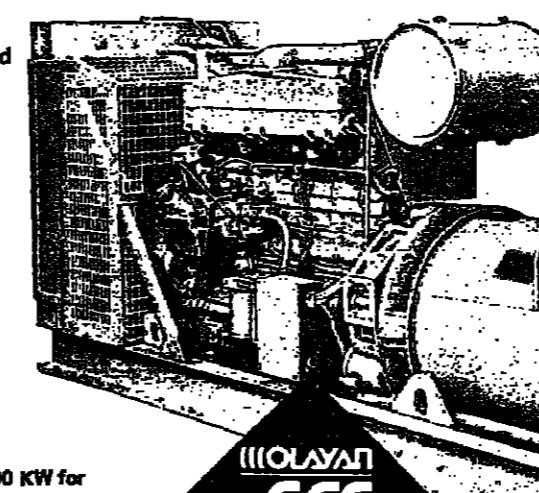
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# Libya seeks to uncover erroneous U.S. policies

NICOSIA, July 16 (Agencies) — A senior Libyan leader, asked about a Libyan loan to President Carter's brother, Billy, said his government was trying to convince Americans that U.S. policy in the Middle East was wrong. But Libyan Foreign Secretary Ali Abd-Salam Tureiki declined to comment directly on the \$220,000 loan at a press conference in Nicosia, at the end of a three-day visit to Cyprus.

Asked whether other Americans were receiving money from Libya, he said: "We have contacts at a popular level with many Americans with the aim of finding mutual understanding between the two peoples, and informing the American people about the reality of the situation in the Middle East."

"This is one of our efforts to inform the American people about the wrong policy that their government is following in the Middle East." Asked about the loan to Carter, Tureiki said: "We are dealing with government. There are others who are dealing with individuals ... it is not for the secretary of foreign affairs to deal with Billy Carter."

The U.S. justice department said Monday the president's 43-year-old brother had received the money illegally, because he had not registered as a foreign agent as required



Billy Carter

by law, but that he would not be charged. Carter said in a statement Tuesday that in addition to the loan, he had received nearly \$3,000 in personal gifts and almost \$14,000 in travel expenses from the Libyan government last year.

He visited Tripoli in 1978 and later escorted Libyan officials around Atlanta.

Violence continues

## Turkish MP shot dead

ISTANBUL, July 16 (R) — A Turkish member parliament from the main opposition Republican Peoples Party (RPP) was shot dead here, the first deputy killed in Turkey's epidemic of political violence, police said. They said Abdurrahman Koksaloglu was shot by unknown gunmen Tuesday as he left his office in the Sisli district.

An average of 10 people have died every day this year in political violence in Turkey.

Many local or provincial chairmen of the RPP, the ruling Justice Party and the far-right Nationalist Movement Party (NMP) have been killed in the violence but Koksaloglu was the first member of Parliament to die. Before Tuesday, the highest-ranking politician killed was Gun Sazak, deputy chairman of the NMP, in Ankara in May.

Sazak's murder, by unknown gunmen outside his home, prompted an escalation in the

## Mideast briefs

VALETTA Malta (AP) — The Libyan "people's" bureau here said Tuesday relations between Libya and Malta are in a "very delicate state after last week's bombing of a Libyan airlines" sales office. The explosion wrecked the inside of the Libyan Arab Airlines office. Nearby, someone attempted to set fire to the Libyan Arab cultural center, police sources said. No details were available on who planted the bomb. There were no reports of injuries.

NAIROBI (R) — Libyan officials visiting Uganda to discuss cooperation with the government there have told foreign minister Otema Alimadi that Libya is ready to cooperate with any government chosen by the Ugandan people. Radio Uganda, monitored here, said the Ugandan minister called on the Libyan delegation to help to strengthen relations between the two countries.

MADRID (Agencies) — Cypriot Foreign Minister Nicos Rolandis had talks with Spanish Foreign Minister Marcelino Oreja Tuesday on the first day of an official visit to Spain, foreign ministry officials said. They reviewed the situation in the Mediterranean and discussed the forthcoming European security

review conference, which opens in Madrid later this year, the officials said.

DAMASCUS (R) — Syria's minister of Defense Maj.-Gen. Mustafa Tlas left here Tuesday for Warsaw on an official visit at the invitation of his Polish counterpart Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, it was announced.

VIENNA (R) — Turkish Foreign Minister Hayrettin Erkmen arrived in Bucharest Tuesday on an official visit at the invitation of Romanian Foreign Minister Stefan Andrei, the official Agerpres News Agency said.

CAIRO (AFP) — The deposed Shah of Iran underwent surgery Tuesday night in his right thigh. "Al Akhbar" newspaper reported Wednesday.

NICOSIA (R) — Leaders of the Greek and Turkish Cypriot communities on this divided island have agreed to meet in Libya later this year to try to solve their problem, Libyan Foreign Secretary Ali Abdul Salam Tureiki said. Tureiki, who had talks here with Cyprus President Spyros Kyprianou and Turkish Cypriot leader Rauf Denktash, told a news conference the meeting would be under the auspices of U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim.

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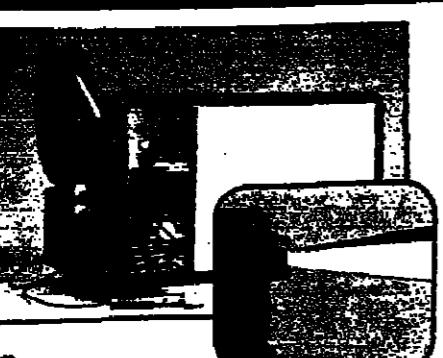
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## Israeli-backed forces shell south Lebanon

BEIRUT, July 16 (AP) — Artillery duels between Israeli-backed Christian forces and Palestinian commandos in southern Lebanon Tuesday left four dead and seven wounded in the town of Nabatiyah, officials said. The shelling lasted for nearly four hours and affected more than a dozen towns and villages near the border between Israel and Lebanon, Lebanese officials in Sidon said.

Beirut Radio said that Christian militia forces led by renegade army Maj. Saad Haddad shelled Nabatiyah, Hasbayeh, Al Doueir, Kfar Roman, Beaufort Castle and Al Bass near Tyre.

Israeli reports said Palestinian gunners from their stronghold in Beaufort Castle directed artillery fire at the Christian enclaves of Kileya and Marjayoun. No casualty figures were given.

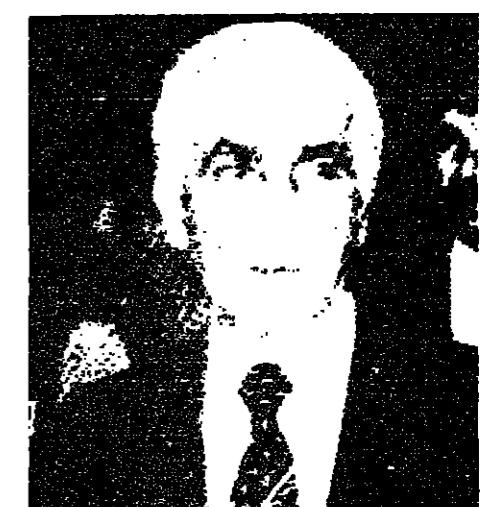
Haddad's forces, backed by Israel, control five to six miles deep strip running along Lebanon's 59-mile-long frontier with the Zionist state.

United Nations forces (UNIFIL) tried to arrange a ceasefire but both sides accused each other of starting the fighting and refused to be the first to stop. Severe damage was reported from enclave villages.

A number of Katyusha rockets, fired by Palestinian commandos fell in Upper Galilee, while the artillery duel continued. Lebanese Prime Minister Salim Hoss accused Israel of being behind the current tension in Southern Lebanon.

"These aggressions came as Lebanon is demanding to revive the armistice (between Lebanon and Israel)... according to successive Security Council resolutions," he said.

## Algerian cabinet reshuffled; army general staff revived



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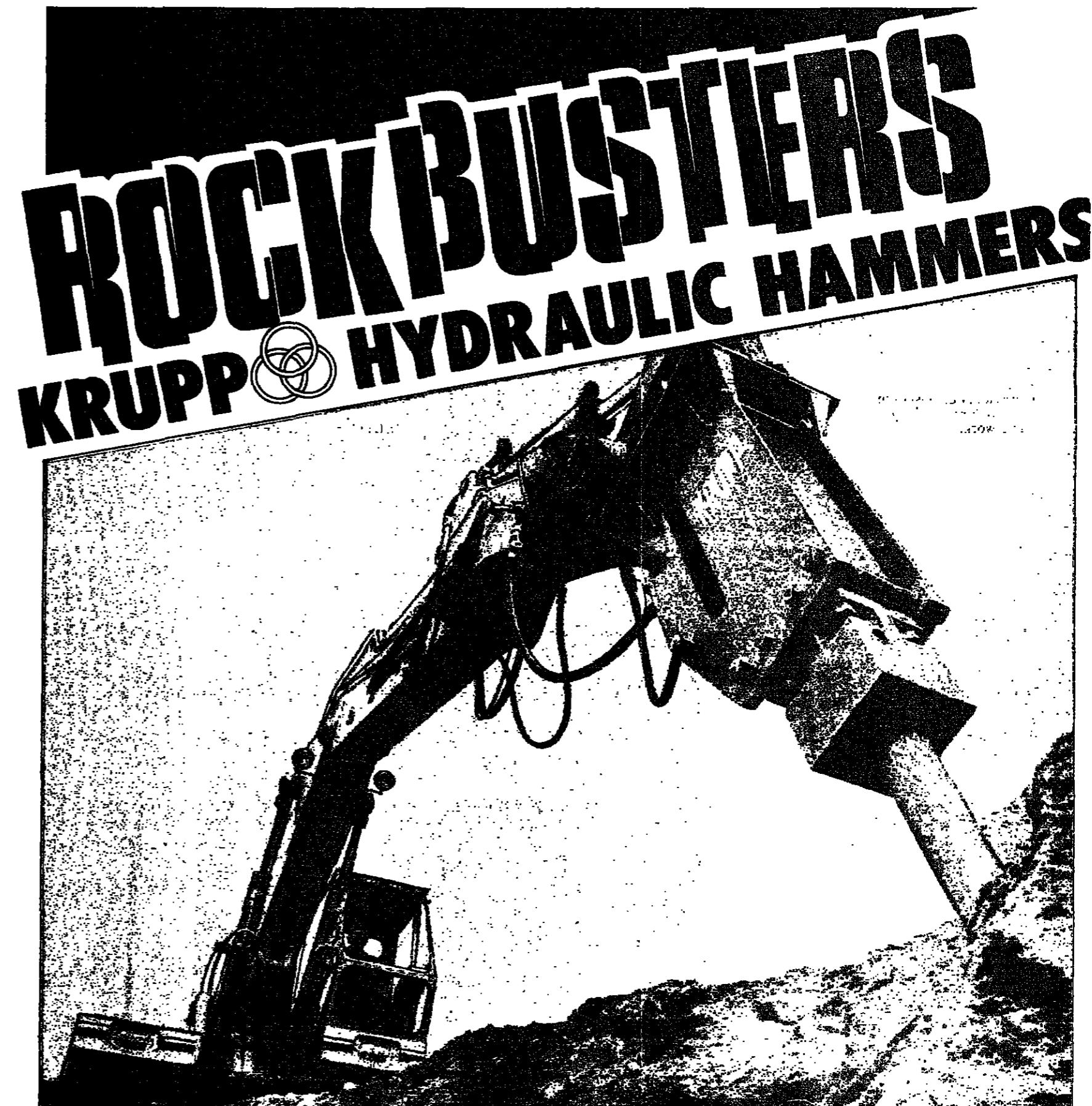
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The army still is the most important single force in Algeria and Ben Jidid, Boumediene's successor, is a career soldier who commanded the important Oran area of western Algeria. He personally retains the post of defense minister.

## Iraqis, British to review problems

LONDON, July 16 (Agencies) — British Foreign Office Minister Douglas Hurd flies to Baghdad this week to attend Iraq's National Day celebrations, the foreign office announced Wednesday. Hurd, a minister of state specializing in Middle East affairs, is going at the invitation of the Iraqi government and will spend three days in Baghdad.

British officials said his visit was part of Britain's efforts to improve the recently chequered Anglo-Iraqi relations. Hurd's talks with Iraqi ministers are expected to cover the Arab-Israeli dispute and other major Middle East developments and world problems. Hurd is also expected to discuss the cases of two British businessmen, Mr. Christopher Sparkes and John Smith, imprisoned in Iraq for alleged economic offences.



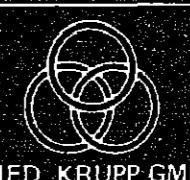
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*5 policemen wounded*

## Black Miami erupts anew

MIAMI, Florida, July 16 (AP) — Five policemen were shot, and police cordoned off an eight square kilometer area of northwestern Miami Tuesday night as bands of rock-and-bottle-throwing youths roamed the streets of the neighborhood where race riots broke out two months ago.

The violence was touched off Tuesday afternoon when Dade County police attempted to arrest two robbery suspects at a housing project in Liberty City. One officer was shot in the back during that incident.

Four more officers were injured Tuesday night. One was shot in the shoulder by a sniper, and three other policemen suffered superficial wounds as they patrolled the neighborhood.

May's riots, which took the lives of 18 people and caused upwards of \$100 million damage, were sparked by the acquittal of four white ex-county officers charged in connection with the beating to death of a black Miami businessman. All five officers injured Tuesday were white.

Dade County officials activated an emergency mobilization plan, but "we're not referring to this as any sort of racial problem," said police Sergeant Peter Cuccaro.

"We have some problems out there and we're addressing them." Officers fired tear gas at several locations to disperse "threatening" crowds, he said.

### Delhi vows to keep peace

## Assamese call for anti-immigrant revolt

NEW DELHI, July 16 (AP) — A war of secession appears to be shaping up in the strategic northeastern state of Assam as a large anti-immigrant group called for revolution, the setting up of a secret society and Iran-style trials for immigrants.

Apparently aware of the call by the All-Assam Students' Union (AASU), Home Minister Zail Singh told parliament Tuesday that the government was capable of smashing "not one or two but hundreds" of any attempt to endanger the country's integrity and sovereignty. In a 36-point "Guideline for Total Revolution in Assam," the AASU advocated the formation of a secret society to select non-Assamese politicians, civil servants,

**Los Angeles mulls artistic worth of Tail O' The Pup**

LOS ANGELES, July 16 (LAT) — In this off-ramp city where life so often is viewed through a windshield, it is only natural that an architecture evolved to catch the eye of the motorist.

There have been orange juice stands in the shape of an orange, hamburger emporiums molded into giant buns, a restaurant as a brown derby and mammoth doughnuts on the top of doughnut shops, among many others.

One of the more venerable pop art structures is the Tail O' The Pup, a hot dog stand shaped, naturally, as a huge hot dog in a roll coated with, of course, mustard. In recognition of its contribution to the Los Angeles landscape, the stand has been recommended by the city's cultural heritage board for historic-cultural status. The designation now goes to the city council for action.

The board cited the 20 by 20-foot stucco stand as "one of the last remaining examples (in Los Angeles) of programmatic architecture

nts. traders and workers for "local trial" similar to Islamic revolutionary trials in Iran.

The AASU has been spearheading the 10-month protest against Assam's millions of Bengali and Nepalese immigrants, urging a "boycott of Bengalis in all manners and the immediate dismissal and deportation of Bengalis working for federal and state governments. There should be an immediate end to the recruitment of Bengalis in the Brahmaputra Valley, a ban on Bengali movies in the state and all business in the state should be conducted only through indigenous Assamese," the group said.

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Rivalry heats up

## Ovett ties Coe's 1,500m mark

OSLO, July 16 (AFP) — The Steve Ovett-Sebastian Coe saga took a further twist at the Bislett Stadium here Wednesday night when the Brighton student joined his fellow Briton as the fastest man ever over 1,500 meters.

Ovett equalled Coe's 3:32.1 set 11 months ago in Zurich and could have been the outright holder had he not, true to character turned to wave to the crowd on the home straight. In the absence of his arch-rival, all eyes were on Ovett and 50 yards from the tape he just could not resist the temptation to bring the crowd to their feet.

Before the race got underway, Ovett said he was not running for a new world record. The crowd, however, thought differently remembering his 3:48.8 to knock one tenth of a second of Coe's world mile record here earlier this month.

Chris Sly, also of Great Britain, was in the lead through the first lap. Steve Scott of the United States led after 800 meters, but at 1200 meters Ovett took over.

Thomas Wessinghage of West Germany finished second at 3:33.16, followed by John Walker, New Zealand, 3:33.30, Steve Lacy,

United States, 3:33.39 and Graham William, United Kingdom, 3:33.72.

It was the second world record this month for the talented but enigmatic Brighton student. On this same Bislett track at the start of the month he set a new world one mile mark less than one hour after Coe had broken the world 1,000 meters record.

The two arch-rivals, who are due to clash in the Moscow Olympics for the first time since the Prague European championships in August 1978 now straddle world middle-distance running.

Coe, the slightly-built physical education student from Longbourn holds outright the world 800 and 1,000 meters records, Ovett holds the one mile record and they now share the 1,500 meters.

Coe's world 1,500 meters marks was the third leg of his stunning trio of world records set in the space of 41 days last year. Following on the footsteps of the 800 meters and one mile, both set at the Bislett track in Oslo, he ran 3:32.1 at Zurich in August last year.

Will raise American flag

## IOC ignores U.S. plea

MOSCOW, July 16 (AP) — The American flag will be raised at the closing ceremony of the Olympic Games in Moscow, despite objections by the United States government.

Monique Berlioux, director of the International Olympic Committee (IOC), told a news conference Tuesday that protocol requires the raising of the flag of the host country of the next Olympic Games. The 1984 games are set for Los Angeles.

The United States government, which initiated the boycott that has undermined the Moscow games, told both the Soviet government and the IOC that it did not wish its national flag to be flown at the games. But Berlioux said the closing of the games is an IOC ceremony and has nothing to do with the host nation.

In Washington, a U.S. State Department source, who asked not to be identified said, "We object to the use (of the American flag) and will be contacting the IOC again."

The organizing committee of the Moscow games, headed by its chairman Ignaty Novikov, a deputy prime minister of the Soviet Union, went before the IOC and reported that preparations for the games, opening next Sunday, are complete. At a press conference afterward Novikov was asked about the raising of the stars and stripes. He said the United States had twice written to the Soviet Union saying it did not wish the flag to be flown at the games.

Novikov commented: "In five years of preparation for the games, we have not in a single case violated the charter of the IOC.

That clipped one tenth of a second off Tanzanian Fibert Bay's record set during the 1974 Christchurch Commonwealth Games. Ovett, however, sounded out a warning later in the season when he came within a stride of bettering Coe's time.

Meanwhile, Edwin Moses of the United States, the premier 400 meter intermediate hurdler, stretched his winning streak to 43 in final races and 51 overall, winning in a leisurely 43.36 seconds.

The Americans also had three other winners Tuesday night — MAC Wilkins in the discus in 21.7-0, Billy Olsen in the pole vault, and Rod Milburn in the 110 meter high hurdles in 13.59 seconds.

The 5,000 meter was won by 22-year-old Nat Muir of Britain in 13:17.9, more than six seconds better than his former personal best. Muir was followed by Tanzania's two long distance stars Fibert Bayi in 13:18.2 and Suleiman Nyambui in 13:18.2. The world record holder, Henry Rono of Kenya, placed fourth in 13:19.8.



Steve Ovett

## Bench hits record blast, Reds win

NEW YORK, July 16 (AP) — Johnny Bench slammed a record-breaking home run and George Foster blasted a three-run shot to power the Cincinnati Reds to an 11-7 triumph over the Montreal Expos Tuesday night.

Bench's home run, the 347th of his career and 15th of the season, was the 314th he has hit as a catcher. The old record for most career home runs by a catcher was 313 hit by Yogi Berra of the New York Yankees. After Bench circled the bases following his homer in the fifth, he ran to the front row of seats and kissed his mother, Katie.

Earlier in the fifth, Foster slammed his home run, his 14th of the season. Ellis Valentine hit two homers and Andre Dawson one for Montreal.

In other National League action, Dave Lopes hit a homer and two singles, driving in three runs to pace the Los Angeles Dodgers over the Chicago Cubs 6-2. The victory snapped the Dodgers' three-game losing streak.

A pair of homers by Steve Henderson backed Pat Zachry's six-hitter as the New York Mets downed the Atlanta Braves 9-2 and reached the .500 level this late in the season for the first time in four years.

The St. Louis Cardinals snapped the San

Diego Padres' three-game winning string 7-3 as Ted Simmons capped a three-run first inning with a two-run double.

A fluke throwing error by Darrell Evans and a two-run single by Dave Parker meant a three-run eighth inning, giving the Pittsburgh Pirates a 5-2 victory over San Francisco and breaking the Giants' seven-game winning streak.

The Houston Astros downed the Philadelphia Phillies 3-2 as pinch runner Jeff Leonard scored the decisive run on a pair of miscues by Philadelphia pitcher Dick Ruthven.

In the American League, Mike Cubbage's suicide squeeze bunt scored Ron Jackson from third base in the eighth inning, bringing the Minnesota twins to a 5-4 victory over the New York Yankees. Amos Otis had three hits, including a home run, and Hal McRae

hit a two-run homer to power the Kansas City Royals over the Boston Red Sox 8-4.

A home run by Bob Molinaro in the fifth inning gave the Chicago White Sox a 2-1 victory over the Texas Rangers, breaking up a pitching duel between Britt Burns and Ferguson Jenkins. Burns allowed seven hits and struck out two in getting his 10th victory against seven losses. Jenkins, 7-8, struck out 13, walked one and allowed seven hits before being relieved in the ninth.

Dan Graham drove in three runs and Terry Crowley added two RBIs to lead the Baltimore Orioles over the Milwaukee Brewers 7-3.

Don Baylor's two-run single keyed a four-run fifth inning that saw three men score on a single, and give the California Angels a 7-1 victory over the Cleveland Indians.

## Baseball Standings

		National League			American League		
		W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Montreal	45	37	549	—	35	29	605
Philadelphia	45	39	541	1/2	48	37	565
Pittsburgh	45	40	533	1/2	43	37	538
New York	42	42	520	4	39	37	510
St. Louis	37	49	430	10	34	46	521
Chicago	34	48	415	11	35	47	495
West		49	36	576	32	34	602
Houston	44	42	512	16	45	45	471
Los Angeles	43	44	494	7	46	45	471
San Francisco	38	44	452	10/2	40	45	471
Atlanta	37	45	452	13	40	47	460
San Diego	37	50	425	13	36	49	424
Tuesday's Game					32	52	381
Los Angeles 6, Chicago 2							
Philadelphia 3, Pittsburgh 2							
New York 5, Atlanta 2							
St. Louis 1, Montreal 7							
St. Louis 5, San Diego 3							
Houston 5, Philadelphia 2							

Kansas City 8, Boston 4  
Minnesota 5, New York 4  
Baltimore 7, Milwaukee 3  
Chicago 2, Texas 1  
Calgary 7, Cleveland 1

S.Africa bumped from cage group

MOSCOW, July 16 (R) — The International Amateur Basketball Federation (FIBA), the world's largest sports organization of its kind, voted Tuesday to expel South Africa in protest at that country's racial policies.

West European delegates to the FIBA world congress in Moscow said a resolution by black African countries was carried by four votes to two, with 10 abstentions. It was the first time any country had been expelled from FIBA in its 32-year history, they said.

South Africa and Rhodesia were both suspended from FIBA in 1977. The decision had to be confirmed by the federation's world congress, held every four years before the Olympics. But following the ending of white rule in Rhodesia, now Zimbabwe, delegates voted to restore that country to full membership.

The West European delegates said black African states, headed by Senegal, urged the congress to expel South Africa outright rather than confirm the less drastic measure of suspension.

Vegas site of Ali fight

LAS VEGAS, July 16 (R) — An agreement was reached Tuesday to stage a title fight between World Boxing Council heavyweight champion Larry Holmes and Muhammad Ali at Caesar's Palace on Oct. 2, a spokesman for the Las Vegas hotel said.

Don King, the bout's promoter, will announce the details at a press conference in New York on Thursday, the spokesman said.

Unconfirmed reports said three-times world champion Ali would receive \$8 million for the bout and Holmes approximately \$6 million.

playing under these conditions", he said. "I played OK. I know I can play better."

Freyss said he tried to hit to Connors' forehand and the strategy worked early as Connors made several unforced errors.

Shortly after getting off an airplane from Paris, the 23-year-old left-hander breezed to a 6-3 first-set victory over top-seeded Jimmy Connors in the first round of the \$175,000 U.S. pro tennis championship Tuesday.

He retained control in the second set, charging to a 3-1 lead. But that was the end of Freyss' flirtation with victory. Connors began hitting with authority and won the next 11 games, giving up just 11 points. That finish moved him into the second round with a 3-6, 6-0 triumph.

"I found a little extra pressure playing him. He really had nothing to lose playing me, but I had to be at my best," Connors said. "He played very well in the first set and I changed to a little looser racket in the second set, and it helped."

He said the turning point came in the sixth game of the second set when he broke Freyss' service to tie the set 3-3. "That was the best game I played. From that point on I hit the ball lot deeper and with more authority," said Connors, who won this tournament at the Longwood Cricket Club in 1973.

Freyss said he had only a half hour to warm up after arriving from Paris. He also said the heat took its toll. "It's too hot. I'm not used to

playing under these conditions", he said. "I played OK. I know I can play better."

Freyss said he tried to hit to Connors' forehand and the strategy worked early as Connors made several unforced errors.

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In London

## Muslim Educational Trust awards students

LONDON, (Special) — More than 400 pupils and parents attended the annual prize awards ceremony of the Muslim Educational Trust, held Sunday, July 6 at London's County Hall.

The three-hour ceremony began with a recitation from the Quran by Adnan Ikrar, of Beaconsfield School, London. Sheikh Abdul Aziz Mansour Al-Turki presided over the ceremony. Al-Turki is cultural counselor

for the Saudi Arabian Cultural Bureau in London.

"I am greatly delighted to see that our children are getting an Islamic education under the care of the Muslim Educational Trust," Al-Turki said during the ceremony.

Parents were urged to see that their children attend Islamic lessons in state schools provided by the trust. Trust Chairman Maulana Habibur Rahman told the gathering that

an Islamic education is important to a child's well-being, and asked everyone to cooperate with the trust in making its efforts effective.

The chairman said the Trust plans to publish an Islamic book that will include basic Islamic beliefs, the life of the Prophet, the life of rightly guided caliphs, and stories of the prophets.

After the speech of the chairman, Ghulam Sarwar, director of the Trust, presented



AWARDS CEREMONY: Sheikh Abdul Aziz Al-Turki delivered the presidential speech at London's recent Muslim Educational Trust awards ceremony. Trust director Ghulam Sarwar is seated at left, and chairman Maulana Habibur Rahman is shown at far right.

### Bulgarians obedient to Communists

By Harry Trimborn

SOFIA, Bulgaria. (LAT) — A yellow brick road in the heart of this Communist capital passes the mausoleum of Georgi Dimitrov, the founding father of the People's Republic of Bulgaria.

Though smaller and built of different material, the mausoleum is a virtual copy of Vladimir I. Lenin's tomb in Moscow. And like Lenin's body, the body of Bulgaria's first Communist state leader lies embalmed under glass, on public display.

This similarity in the most important shrines of Bulgaria and the Soviet Union is indicative of the relations between the world's largest communist power and one of its smallest allies.

For Bulgaria is the Soviet Union's most obedient partner, a fact that is reflected in the attitude of the people and in countless other ways, ranging from the similarity in the two mausoleums to the Cyrillic alphabet that Bulgaria shares with the Soviet Union. In some ways, Sofia seems like a provincial Russian capital.

"It's a wonder they haven't changed the name of the capital to something more proletarian or Soviet," a Westerner here said, in reference to the city's name, which was taken from an ancient church established in honor of Saint Sophia.

In part, the relationship is rooted in what is seen as the Bulgarians' genuine affection for the Russians, who in the 1870s helped

free them from 500 years of Turkish rule and in 1944 liberated them from German occupation.

And it is due in part to what one source here called the "basic Bulgarian character" that was formed by their former Turkish masters. "They are great survivors," this source said. "Under the Turks they gradually acquired great skill in going with the tide, maneuvering, getting by and managing...these qualities are still very much alive today. And even today, shortcomings in the country are blamed on the Turkish occupation."

"If there are any dissidents, they are so far underground that no one can find them," one source said.



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an introduction of the Trust and the annual report for 1979-80.

While introducing the trust, Sarwar said the trust has been trying to make Muslim children aware of their distinctive identity and their responsibilities in a non-Muslim society within its limited resources.

He pointed out that the trust works under a very limited scope provided by the 1944 Education Act which allows withdrawal of Muslim children from school assemblies for Islamic education within school premises only for about 20-30 minutes, twice a week.

The director of the trust told his audience that proper Islamic education could only be possible if the Muslims have their own schools or by the introduction of Islam in 'O' levels and 'A' levels as a regular subject.

In his annual report, Sarwar said the trust has 27 teachers who visited 57 secondary and primary schools, three weekend schools and seven evening schools in 11 cities of Great Britain. The teachers reach about 2,100 Muslim children. Sarwar said the trust organized annual examinations each year and yearly prize distribution functions.

He also informed his audience that the Trust would publish its syllabus and guidelines for teachers during July. He said that a textbook covering the topics of the syllabus would be published by September.

Ten boys and 10 girls spoke at the function on various aspects of Islam. After the speeches and presentations by pupils, Al-Turki distributed prizes to 99 boys and girls who secured positions in the annual examination conducted by the trust in 20 secondary schools in London. The function ended with light refreshments.

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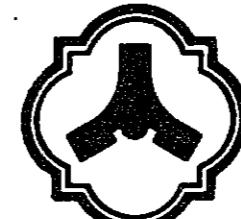
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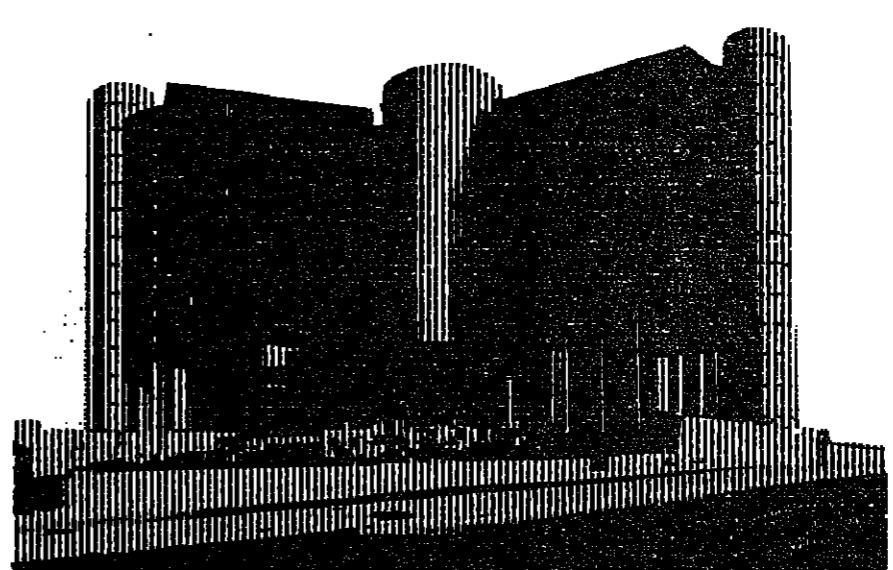
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# Chrysler to lose \$1.2b in 1980

WASHINGTON, July 16 (R) — A special board presiding over attempts to rescue the Chrysler Motor Company Tuesday predicted it will lose \$1.23 billion in 1980 \$2.25 million more than an estimate last month. At the same time the Chrysler Loan Guarantee Board approved an instalment of \$250 million in loans to help stave off bankruptcy.

The funds are part of a \$1.5 billion rescue loan backed by the government, which was

## Japan cars set record in U.S.

TOKYO, July 16 (AFP) — Japanese motor-car manufacturers, led by Toyota and Nissan, exported a record 1,246,200 vehicles to the United States in the first half of this year, 32 per cent more than in the corresponding period of 1979, trade sources reported today.

They said that the sharp increase in Japanese car shipments to the American market reflected brisk demand for Japan-made compact cars during the period under review. But they also expressed fears that this could fuel an American campaign for import quotas, higher tariffs and other barriers against Japanese cars.

They added that Japanese car sales in the United States in the latter half of this year would not increase significantly compared with a year ago. According to the sources, Toyota car exports to this country rose by 25.7 per cent to 372,114 and Nissan (Datsun) car exports jumped by 63.7 per cent to 338,522 units.

### Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 5:00 P.M. Saturday			
	SAMA	Cash	Transfer
Bahraini Dinar	—	8.83	8.83
Belgian Franc (1,000)	119.00	—	—
Canadian Dollar	2.89	—	—
Deutsche Mark (100)	191.00	191.50	191.00
Dutch Guilder (100)	174.00	—	174.70
Egyptian Pound	—	4.55	4.35
Emirates Dirham (100)	—	90.20	90.00
French Franc (100)	82.00	82.60	82.40
Greek Drachma (1,000)	—	81.00	—
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	42.90
Iranian Rial (100)	—	—	—
Iraqi Dinar	—	—	—
Italian Lira (10,000)	40.00	40.40	40.30
Japanese Yen (1,000)	15.30	—	15.35
Jordanian Dinar	—	11.45	11.43
Kuwaiti Dinar	—	12.50	12.45
Lebanese Lira (100)	—	98.05	97.50
Moroccan Dirham (100)	91.00	91.15	—
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	—	33.70
Philippines Peso (100)	—	—	45.25
Polish Sterling	7.89	7.93	7.92
Qatari Riyal (100)	—	91.45	91.45
Singapore Dollar	—	—	1.58
Spanish Peso (1,000)	—	50.00	48.70
Swiss Franc (100)	207.00	208.50	207.70
Syrian Lira (100)	—	77.20	85.45
Turkish Lira (1,000)	—	45.00	—
U.S. Dollar	3.32	3.34	3.33
Yemeni Riyal (100)	—	—	72.95
Gold kg.	71,500.00	—	—
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approved last month after 300 banks agreed to restructure more than three billion dollars worth of Chrysler debts.

Loans board chairman William Miller, the Treasury Secretary, told a press conference Tuesday that Chrysler would use one billion dollars of the loan this year, \$300 million more than he estimated last month. He said Chrysler's higher losses and greater loan demands were due to the unexpectedly sharp U.S. recession and a surprisingly steep drop in car sales.

Miller said he knew of no other firm in U.S. history with losses as high as Chrysler's. But he firmly denied a suggestion that the firm would use up the entire \$1.5 billion in loans and again face bankruptcy in 1981 or 1982.

Chrysler was tottering near bankruptcy last month when the loan package was finally approved. Miller forecast that Chrysler would make a profit through sales of its new, fuel-efficient K-car, designed to compete with Japanese imports and other domestic small cars.

## Venezuela raises fuel oil price 80¢

CARACAS, Venezuela, July 16 (AP) —

Venezuela announced Tuesday it is raising prices of medium- and high-sulfur grades of heavy industrial fuel oil by as much as 80 cents a barrel. The oil is used to run electric generating stations, heat large apartment houses and fuel ships.

Venezuelan Energy Minister Humberto Calderon Berti said in Caracas the increase takes effect Saturday and is due to "great demand" for the fuel in the United States and Europe. Venezuela increased prices of the medium and high-sulfur "residual" fuel oil by as much as \$1.20 per 42-gallon barrel June 20 and intends to continue adjusting prices monthly. Calderon said.



## Japan hunts sea bed nodules

By Dr. O.M. Daraz  
Tokyo Office

TOKYO, July 16 — Japan's efforts to explore the seabed are taking on a new look with the launching of a ship specially designed to prospect the oceans for their mineral wealth.

The sunken treasure the ship will search for is manganese nodules, a booty as valuable as any ever sought by pirates.

Large nodules of manganese are known to be lying on the seabed at depths ranging from three thousand meters to as much as six thousand meters. Apart from manganese these nodules contain over a dozen other useful metals, including nickel, copper and cobalt. As a result of surveys, it is estimated that the seabed of the Pacific Ocean has the greatest volume of manganese nodules in the world: Some 1.7 trillion tons.

From these nodules 16 billion tons of nickel, 9 billion tons of copper, 6 billion tons of cobalt, 400 billion tons of manganese and many other useful minerals could become

available. When compared with the known resources on land, the sea-bed supplies seem unlimited. Moreover, there are signs that the world's reserves of such non-ferrous metals on land are steadily being depleted and could soon be exhausted.

In addition, countries which have such metals are inclined to restrict supplies or are demanding steadily increasing prices. Thus, it has become extremely difficult to be assured of a stable supply of such metals and minerals at steady prices.

To prevent a vicious, costly war among countries racing to lay claim to such manganese nodules, an international agency is to be established by 1983 to control the exploitation of these underwater riches. Such an agency has been provided for by the international treaty of the law of the sea. The agency will make regulations for under sea prospecting and allocate areas of operation for different countries involved in exploration work.

But Japan, though almost completely dependent on imports for non-ferrous metals, has been very slow in underwater prospecting in the past. But with the support and encouragement of the government's Agency of Natural Resources and Energy, the Japanese began to carry out surveys in 1975.

## Merrill-Lynch earnings record for 2nd quarter

NEW YORK, July 16 — Record breaking revenues and earnings for the second quarter and first half of 1980 were reported Tuesday by Merrill Lynch. At the same time, Merrill Lynch raised the quarterly dividend to 28 cents a share from 24 cents. The announcement was made by Donald T. Regan, chairman of the board, and Roger E. Birk, the president of the financial services company.

Merrill Lynch's total revenues for the second quarter rose 55.2 per cent to 764.7 million, the highest for any quarter in the company's history, compared with 492.8 million for the similar quarter of 1979. Second quarter net earnings squared more than 106 per cent to a record high of 65.8 million or 1.8 per common share, from 31.9 million, or 87 cents per share, for the same quarter a year ago.

## Saudi Arabian Government Tenders

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Department of Water and Sewage, Eastern Province	Supply of a bulldozer on track	3-1400/1401 400	Aug. 2	
Ministry of P.T.T.		116/80	2000	July 19
Saudi Arabian Municipality of Unaizah	Digging work and installation of external telephone	1	200	July 22
	Supply of water connections and pipes	2	100	July 22
	Maintenance of parks	3	400	July 23
	Cleaning of some of town's quarters	44/M	20	July 27
Governorate of Qorayat District	Supply of printed material	45/M	50	July 25
	Supply of vehicles			

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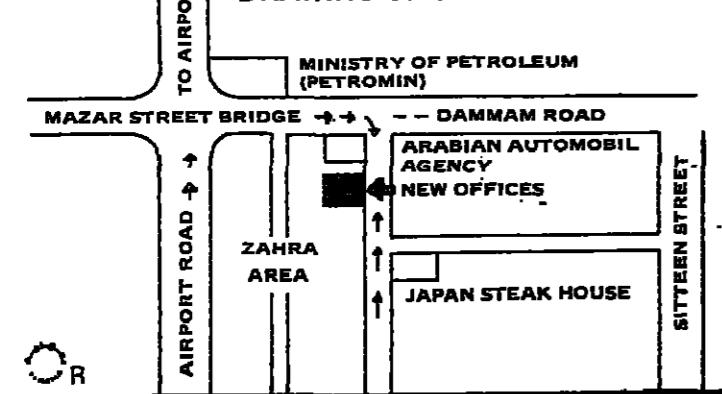
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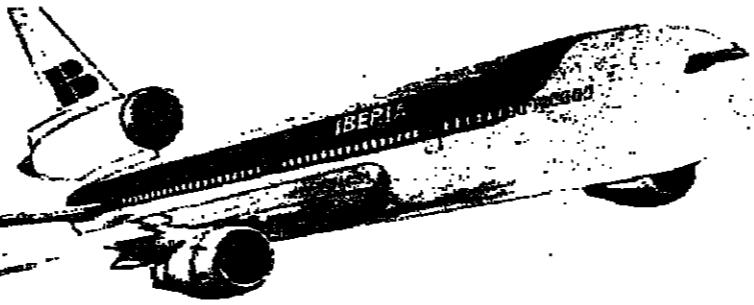
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## St. Helens clouds future investment in northwest

PORTRLAND, Oregon, July 16 (LAT) —

Like a careless beauty who thought there was no tomorrow until the crow's feet appeared, the Pacific northwest is starting to feel a need for cosmetics to emphasize its best features and to mask its most disgusting blemish, the ugly boil at volcanic Mount St. Helens.

Portland, a city long regarded as one of the nation's most livable, today is experiencing its first pangs of civic self-doubt. And other northwest cities are wondering how to dust off their images without calling unwelcome attention to the fact that it needs doing in the first place.

The northwest's doubt is not of its continued desirability but of the image presented to a world it used to treat with mild standoffishness. And it is doubt about an economic future that it always assumed could be had at the crook of a finger.

"We do have a great deal of geographical chauvinism here in Portland and all over the northwest," said Robert D. Scanlan, vice president of Portland's Coldwell Banker Commercial Brokerage Co. "And I'd have to say that the potential greatest cost from the volcano is that we're going to have to live with doubt in the real estate business, our biggest enemy is doubt..."

Mount St. Helens has behaved herself for more than two weeks now; most of the ash is gone from the rooftops, parking lots, streets and sidewalks. Air pollution alerts are called only on dry days. The 20 mph speed limit has been lifted, and Portland's daily life has resumed its amiable summertime pace. Nothing seems changed. But on a deeper level, the change is incalculable.

Some U.S. Chambers of Commerce have an uphill fight to peddle their cities. But Mother Nature always did it all for the northwest. What you saw was what you got, and it was real and beautiful.

Then came Mother Nature's hellion daughter, Mount St. Helens, which exploded on May 18, leaving 68 persons known or presumed dead and leveling 150 square miles of large trees. Volcanologists believe Mount St. Helens could remain active for 20 years, as it did in its last eruptive cycle more than a century ago.

On June 11, National Semiconductor

Corp. of Santa Clara, Calif., one of the world's largest suppliers of silicon wafers to

the electronic industry, announced that it had caused it to drop its plans for a \$70 million plant employing 2,000 persons in Vancouver.

Realtor Scanlan concedes that it's not right. "Before the volcano blew," Scanlan said, "there had been talk that another electronic firm, SDC in Santa Monica, Calif., was thinking of moving its whole facility to Oregon. But that talk has simply died away. Instead, they put a small facility in Colorado."

The week after National Semiconductor's pullout, bank officials in San Francisco, Chicago and New York cooled toward underwriting bond issues for schools and state, county and city governments affected by ash fallout. One Chicago bank indicated it would not bid to underwrite any bonds for the present, and other companies indicated they would examine bond issues more cautiously, possibly demanding higher interest rates as a risk premium.

Kevin Steinbauer, a bond trader at Morgan Guaranty Trust in New York, repeated Scanlan's theme: "It's the psychological impact that is important, more than reality. We really don't know what the effects will be. If the doubt that is crucial."

Jack Gordon of neighboring Washington's Hotel-Motel Council said the state has lost 15 per cent to 18 per cent of its annual tourism income in the last six weeks because of Mount St. Helens' fallout and what he called bad press. And Gov. Dixy Lee Ray estimated that statewide tourism has plunged 50 per cent.

Last week, the Pacific Northwest Regional Commission voted in Salem, Oregon, to allot \$15,000 to a publicity campaign to help offset the image Mount St. Helens has dropped over the Northwest.

## Turkish dam funded

LUXEMBOURG, July 16 (R) — The European Investment Bank, the long-term financing arm of the Common Market, said Tuesday it was lending Turkey \$86 million to help fund a hydroelectric project.

The low-interest credit will support

Karakaya complex on the Euphrates river in south-east Turkey and the bank said it hopes to make further contributions later. The loan is for 40 years at 2.5 per cent interest and falls

under the financial protocol of Turkey's association agreement with the community.

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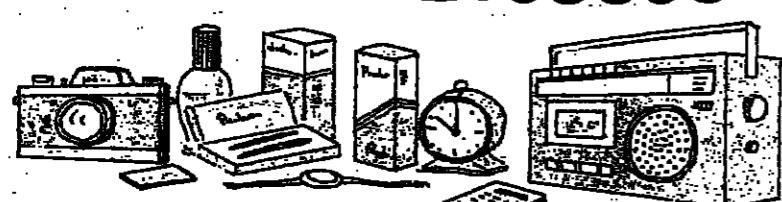
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Price Fns.	386.00	Soc. Ch. Bataille	1405 1238
AEG	85.20	Sofina	1470
AMCO Bank	65.20	Solvay "A"	2620 2640
Arbed	65.20	Union Miniere	738 734
Arco	65.20	Vermont Montague	1384 1372
Frankfurt	85.10		
KLM	85.20		
KNM Group	71.00		
Nationale-Nederlanden	112.50		
Neftogazprom	22.50		
Ova VD Grinden	114.50		
QEGM	10.20		
Danmarks (Van)	23.50		
Philips	45.20		
Rijn Scheide Ver	45.50		
Robeco	175.00		
Rowin	15.20		
Rovante	15.20		
Royal Dutch	116.70		
Unilever	121.60		
Ver. Stork	33.70		
VNU	84.20		
BRUSSELS	73.50		
Closing	Closing	Kloeckner Werke	4210 4210
July 15	July 14	Krupp-Hoechst	60.20 60.00
Price Fns.	1650	Gutierrez	44.80
Arbed	1640	Leverkusen 100	1420 1420
Commill	222	Lufthansa	78.00
EBES	1905	MAN	161050
GB-Inno-BM	2355	Merck	124.00
Gevaert	1250	Merckle	125.20
BOND INFORMATION	73.50	Metzger	148.80
SCHEDULED EUROBONDS	73.50	GRK	148.00
July 15		Guardian Royal Elec.	308 314
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Price Fns.		Curtiss Wright	224 224
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Commill		Dicks Co.	354 364
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GB-Inno-BM		Diamond	135 135
Gevaert		Disney (Wall)	494 505
BOND INFORMATION		Dr Pepper	1216 1216
SCHEDULED EUROBONDS		Dow Chemical	224 224
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Price Fns.		Duke Power	184 184
Arbed		Eastern Airlines	10 10
Commill		Eastern Kodak	583 575
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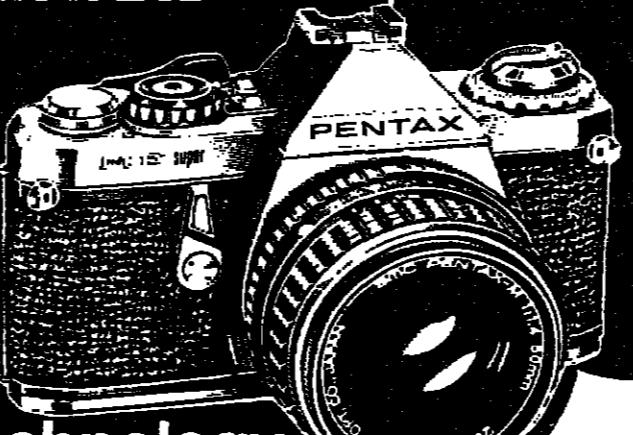
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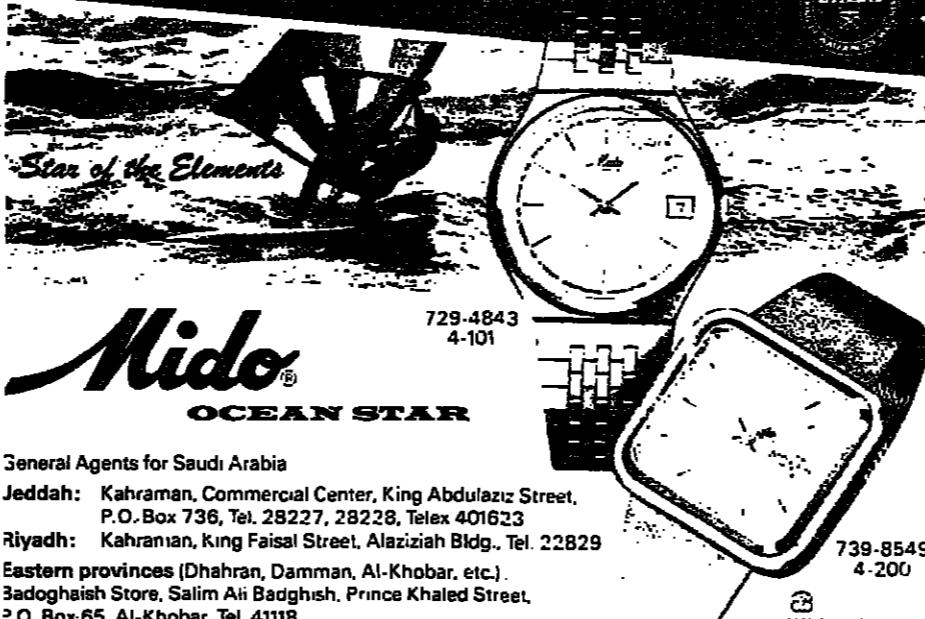
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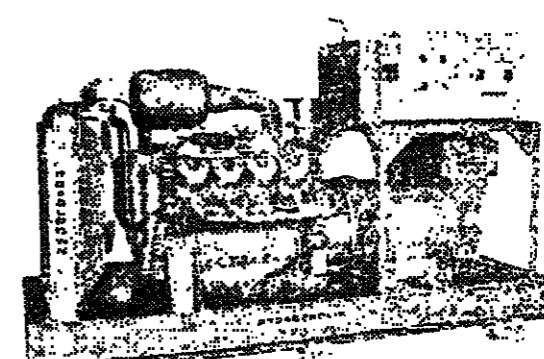
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## Coup conspirators sought Iran seals borders

TEHRAN, July 16 (Agencies) — Iran's land, sea and air borders will be closed for the next 48 hours in an effort to track down conspirators in the abortive plot against the government, the official Pars news agency said Wednesday.

The agency quoted an informed source in the office of the president as saying the previously announced one-week closure of the frontier had been reduced to 48 hours by decision of the Revolutionary Council.

### Shah undergoes thigh operation

CAIRO, July 16 (Agencies) — The deposed Shah of Iran underwent surgery Tuesday night to deal with an abscess on his right thigh. *Al Akhbar* newspaper reported here Wednesday.

According to the press here, a team of doctors treating the deposed monarch said the patient's temperature — which was 39 degrees centigrade — would gradually drop when the abscess was emptied.

*Al Ahram* said monitoring systems were brought back to the intensive care unit opposite the Shah's suite, and a state of emergency had been declared with doctors keeping a 24-hour vigil by his side.

The ex-monarch was admitted to Maadi Military hospital June 27 with a high fever and chest pains. Three days later he was operated on to drain 1.5 liters of infected fluids that had filtered upwards through his lungs and hindered his breathing.

### PLO ties alleged

## Carter threat suspect held



President Carter

SAN FRANCISCO, July 16 (AP) — A man sought by the U.S. Secret Service for threatening to kill President Jimmy Carter — and whose Texas apartment contained a cache of rifles and pistols — has been arrested in San Jose, federal agents said Tuesday.

Majed Ahmad Khamis was taken into custody without a struggle Monday at a friend's home by Secret Service agents and San Jose police, authorities said. One federal agent said he may be a Jordanian citizen.

U.S. magistrate F. Steele Langford set Khamis' bail at \$1 million and scheduled another hearing July 24 to determine when he would be taken back to Dallas, Texas. However, a short time later Khamis waived a removal hearing and agreed to be returned to Texas to face the federal charge.

His attorney, assistant federal public defender Harry Hellerstein, told the magistrate that Khamis said he "is not guilty of the charge (threatening the life of the president), has been falsely accused and is willing to go back to Texas and contest the charges." Hellerstein also said outside of court that Khamis related he had "and has no affiliation with the Palestine Liberation Organization."

Khamis allegedly made an oral threat against the president June 29 in Dallas in front of witnesses, one of whom reported the incident to federal officers, the Secret Service said. Agents said a variety of weapons were seized in his Irving, Texas, apartment. Some PLO propaganda was also found, agents said. Khamis had been staying in the apartment with four other persons who identified themselves to authorities as Jordanian nationals, agents said.

### 'Kim' Philby still in spy business

MOSCOW, July 16 (R) — Harold "Kim" Philby, the Soviet spy who can be close to the top of British intelligence in the 1940's and escaped to Moscow in 1963, is still on active duty, the government newspaper *Izvestia* said Wednesday.

The *Irish* organ also revealed that the Congressman charged

WASHINGTON, July 16 (R) — A U.S. grand jury has charged a sixth congressman with conspiring to receive bribes in return for a promise to introduce legislation. The jury accused Congressman Richard Kelly of Florida of conspiring with two men to receive \$25,000 from an undercover agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

During an investigation into political corruption FBI agents posed as Arab sheikhs and businessmen seeking to buy influence in Congress. Kelly has admitted publicly that he took \$25,000 from an undercover agent, but he said he was conducting his own investigation of what he thought were shady characters.

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VOYAGER: Frenchman Gerald d'Aboville, 34, waves from his 18-foot whaler at Chatham, Massachusetts, shortly before setting off to row across the Atlantic for Brittany. If he succeeds, he will be the first man to accomplish the feat.

## Unified Republicans back Reagan

DETROIT, Michigan July 16 (Agencies) — Ronald Reagan Wednesday night was to become the 1980 presidential nominee of the Republican Party, backed by forces ranging from the ultra-right to ex-President Gerald Ford and former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger.

Reagan, the conservative former California governor and film star, was a sure-bet to win the Republican nomination when the party conducted a late-night roll call of delegates from the 50 U.S. states at its presidential convention. The choice of Reagan to lead the fight against President Jimmy Carter and the Democrats has been a foregone conclusion since he eliminated his last rival for the nomination two months ago.

The only question remaining was his choice of a vice presidential running mate. Reagan, on the eve of his nomination, insisted he still had not made up his mind.

Speculation ranged over the entire political spectrum. Some political experts were betting he would pick a moderate like former U.N. Ambassador George Bush in a move to attract the middle-road vote, while others predicted he would choose a like-minded conservative like Congressman Jack Kemp.

The convention was even swept by rumors that Reagan was still trying to persuade Ford to join his ticket of potent voter appeal.

The candidate denied he had done any such thing. Reagan might keep the public guessing about his choice until Thursday, when the convention concludes with his acceptance speech. Whatever his choice, the Republican

team will run on a hard-line conservative platform and with the benefit of a party unified and in fighting trim.

On the eve of the nomination roll-call, the convention approved by acclamation a platform carefully crafted by conservatives who form the core of the Reagan court. It calls for a huge build-up of military forces to achieve "military security" against the Russians, repudiation of the pending SALT II nuclear

treaty; and reduction of the power of the federal government in all areas of American life.



HAPPY 67TH: Former President Gerald Ford takes a deep breath to blow out a birthday candle at a Detroit TV station. Ford, who is 67, is said by some observers to be

Final proof of the conservatives' dominance came Tuesday night as the convention brushed aside attempts by liberals to challenge an anti-abortion platform provision and to strengthen the party's stand on human rights.

The evening's session also provided striking evidence of the mood now prevailing among Republicans. Speakers included Kissinger, viewed as a liberal elitist by right-wingers but greeted warmly Tuesday night; black civil rights leader Benjamin Hooks, pleading the cause of racial minorities; and Senator Barry Goldwater, the last presidential nominee of the Republican in 1964.

Goldwater's appearance provoked several minutes of cheering and applause, the wildest ovation granted anyone yet to appear at the two-day-old convention.

Party leaders had feared the crowd might boo Kissinger, but it applauded him instead and the architect of U.S.-Soviet detente delivered an endorsement of Reagan in return.

"It is not political oratory to assert that another four years like the last four will make disaster irretrievable," he said. "We have now turned to Ronald Reagan as the trustee of our hopes."

In a scathing attack on Carter's foreign policies, Kissinger said, "The world is in turmoil because America has lost its compass course. If you do not know where you are going, every road will get you there."

Translated from *Aswq Al Awas*

## Metric promo issued

WASHINGTON, July 16 (AP) — The U.S. government has put out a 43-page directory explaining the virtues of the metric system in hopes of convincing Americans to switch from inches and pounds to meters and grams.

Americans for the most part hold firmly to the traditional British system of inches, pounds, gallons and the Fahrenheit scale of temperature.

Louis Polk, chairman of the U.S. Metric Board, the agency that published the booklet, said in the directory's introduction that Americans have to understand metric terms in order to reach "an intelligent, enlightened decision" on whether to endorse the metric system. The General Accounting Office, an agency of the U.S. Congress, has issued a report saying that national policy is not to prefer one system over another — though many Americans mistakenly think that a change is legally required.

Dr. Malcolm O'Hagan, the executive director of the board, predicted last month that by the end of 1982 more than half the gasoline stations in the United States will be selling fuel by the liter.

## Huishen beat Columbus to America, Chinese maintain

PEKING, July 16 (LAT) — Look out, Columbus. Stand aside, Leif Ericson. The Chinese, already acknowledged as the people who invented gunpowder, paper and spaghetti, are pressing their claim that they were also the first to discover America, many centuries before the Vikings for Christopher Columbus set sail for the new world.

China's claim is laid out in the August issue of *China Reconstructs*, official English-



MARATHON: Argentine Claudio Pilt emerges from the water as the winner of the Capri-Naples swimming marathon this week. He did the 18 miles in 9:15.51.

## South London garbage-picker leaves \$400,000

LONDON, July 16 (AP) — William Lewis, a shabby recluse who used to rifle the garbage cans in his street in South London, left \$433,700 in his will. He was 78 when he died last April.

Eileen Brancaccio, one of Lewis' neighbors, was stunned by the will, in which Lewis

language magazine distributed by the Communist Chinese government to improve its image abroad. The article, written by Chinese historian Fang Zhongguo and illustrated by sketches of ancient Chinese-style anchors found off southern California's Palos Verdes Peninsula four years ago, suggests that the Europeans were pretty much Johny-come-lately. Fang nominates as the first explorer of the American continent an obscure Buddhist monk named Huishen who sailed off to spread the Buddhist gospel in the year 452 and returned in 499 with an astonishing tale of 7,000-mile voyage to a land called Fusang. That was 500 years before the Vikings sailed to North America and a thousand years before the landing of Columbus.

The description of Huishen's voyage comes from a 56-volume history of the Liang dynasty, written in the year 600, that has always tantalized historians. There are some doubts about Huishen's trustworthiness — his contemporaries did not entirely believe him — but Fang says most modern Chinese scholars now are convinced that Fusang, the country discovered by Chinese Buddhists, was actually Mexico.

Fang rests his case on the detailed descriptions of marriage customs, crime and slavery that Huishen brought back from Fusang, which tally almost exactly with what has been learned about 5th-century Mexican society. Furthermore, the Fusang tree, the sacred tree for which Huishen said the local people of that era named the country, appears to be the cactus-like agave common throughout Mexico.

The Fusang tree, Huishen told his fellow Chinese, "grows abundantly there... the buds are like bamboo shoots and the people eat them. The fruit is pear-shaped but red in color. From the bark, cloth and garments are made. Houses are built of this tree... records

are inscribed on material made from the bark of the Fusang tree."

As for whether ancient Chinese ships were capable of trans-Pacific voyages, China led the ancient world in navigation," he writes.

"As early as the 4th century B.C. her ships beat the neighboring seas... and entered the Pacific beyond... in the 1st century A.D., the Chinese already knew how to use the stern-post rudder to keep ships on course. In the 3rd century, Chinese sailors were able to calculate sailing speeds and the length of voyages. In the 5th century there were frequent sea-borne exchanges of envoys between China and other countries."

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